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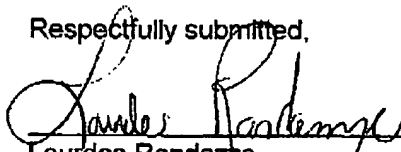
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1. Amendment Fee Transmittal (in duplicate)
2. Preliminary Amendment

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Transmitted herewith is a Preliminary Amendment for the above-identified application.

Total additional fee for claims required is \$892.

Please charge the Claims fees, estimated to be \$892, to Novozymes North America, Inc.,  
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Before examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this document.

**Remarks and arguments** begin on page 11 of this document.

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